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# SOLO EX-MUTANTS

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**Solo Ex-Mutants:** World War III erupted in the latter half of the Twentieth Century, destroying the sum total of human progress in one day of fire. Those who survived the terrible devastation brought about by the war were irrevocably changed into mockeries of human beings: twisted mutants fighting over scraps left over from a better time.

One man among them was unique, however. Though a mutant himself, Dr. Emmanuel Cugat had a dream: that of reversing the genetic damage spawned by the war.

After countless failures, Cugat transformed five special mutants—Angela, Belushi, Erin. Vikki, and Lorelei—back into human beings. Known collectively as the Ex-Mutants, they are the last hope of a dying world.

But all teams are comprised of individuals. Often, it is necessary for the Ex-Mutants to test their mettle against the perils of the world alone. Whether together or separate, however, the Ex-Mutants have become the living legends of the Shattered Earth. This is their story.

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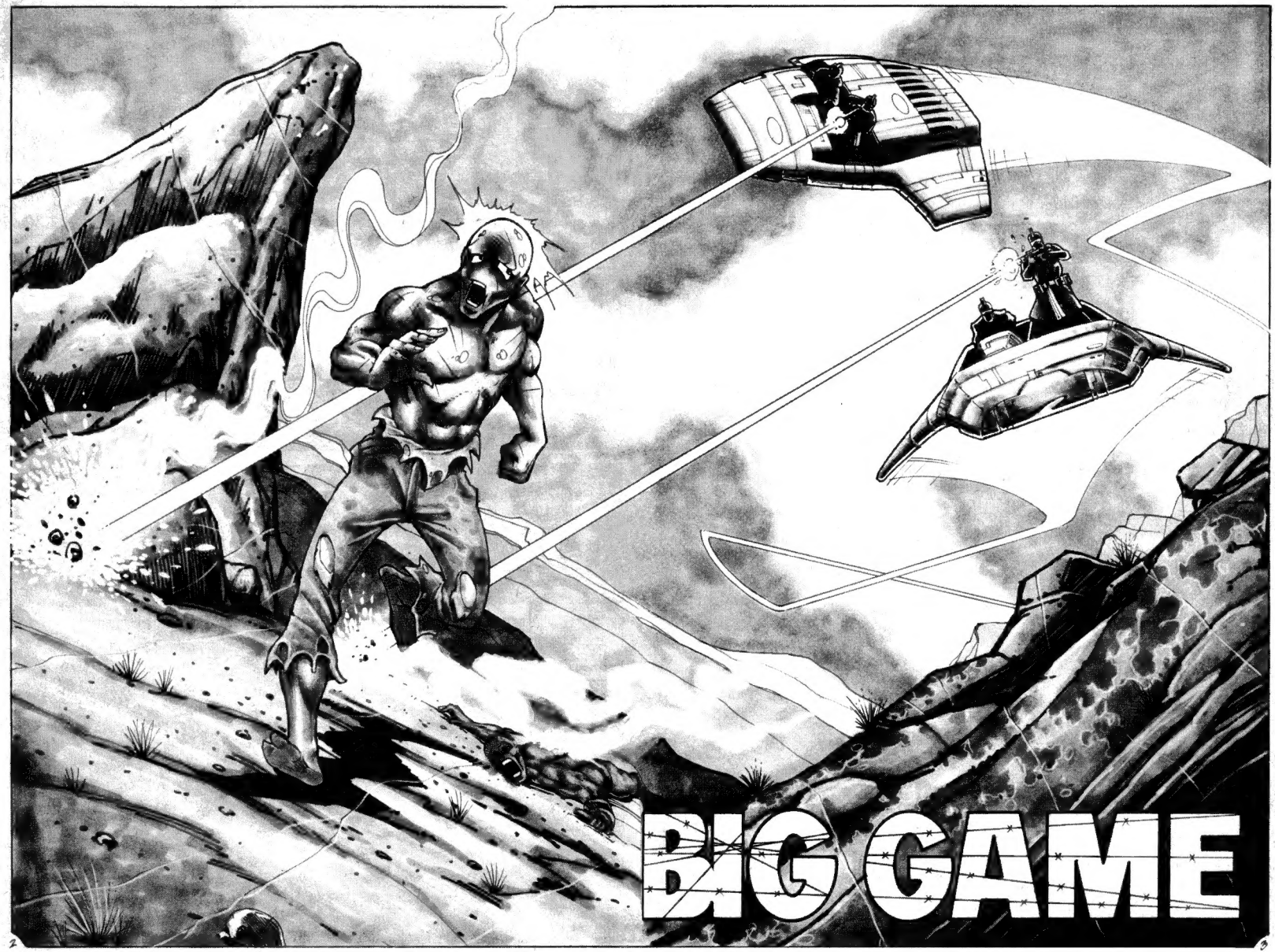
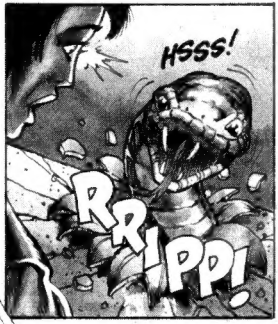
THE DESERTS OF THE SHATTERED EARTH.
ONE OF THE FEW SURVIVORS OF THE GREAT WAR.
THESE ARE MUTANTS.
IN THEIR OWN WAY, THEY'VE SURVIVED TOO.
FOR A WHILE.


BIG GAME

I'VE GOT HIM NOW!
LET HIM HAVE IT!
NO! PLEASE...
...WHAT DO YOU WANT?
BOOM
I WANT YOU TO DIE!
HOW MANY IS THAT SO FAR?
72.
THERE WASN'T MUCH MEAT ON THOSE TWO.
THAT'S ALL RIGHT. I WASN'T HUNGRY, ANYWAY.

MEANWHILE, NOT TOO FAR AWAY...
I THOUGHT YOU SAID THIS WAS A SHORTCUT, ERIN.
IT SHOULD BE.
ACCORDING TO THIS MAP, WE SHOULD BE BACK WITH THE OTHERS IN NO TIME.

OF COURSE, THIS MAP IS PRE-HOLOCAUST.


HSSS!
RRIPP!

VIKKI! BREAK TO THE RIGHT!

SNAKES! YUK! I HATE SNAKES!
CHUNK

SLICE!

AND WE ARE DEFINITELY POST-HOLOCAUST.

THIS WAS YOUR BEST IDEA YET, SKAK!
THANKS. WITH THE EARTH IN ITS CURRENT STATE, I ALMOST FEEL GUILTY ABOUT OUR LITTLE SAFARI.
IF IT WEREN'T SO MUCH FUN.
AS LONG AS WE DON'T GET CAUGHT...
WHO'S TO CATCH US?

WE'RE MILLIONS OF MILES FROM HOME-WORLD. NO ONE KNOWS WHERE WE ARE, AND WE'RE NOT DUE BACK ON THE MASTERSHIP FOR TWO MORE WEEKS.
THIS IS THE PERFECT REST AND RELAXATION.
BESIDES, SOME OF THESE FELLAS ARE DAMN TASTY.
WE'RE BACK, JANK. GOT ANYTHING FOR US?
NOT REALLY.
I'VE BEEN TRACKING TWO HUMANOIDS FOR THE LAST FEW MINUTES.
TWO FEMALE HUMANOIDS.
YUM! DESSERT!
SADDLE UP! WE'RE GOING OUT AGAIN!

SAVE THAT SNAKE. SIMAK MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SEEING IT.
LIKE HELL!
GROSS!
YOW!
ZZZAK!
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT?
LO BAMBA FOODS
ULM DELI
I DON'T KNOW, BUT IT'S COMING BACK!
MUTANTS RULE
ROCK IS KING!

THERE ARE TWO OF THEM! YOU TAKE ONE. I'LL TAKE THE OTHER.
I WISH BELUSHI WERE HERE. WE COULD REALLY USE HIS POWER CANNON.
VIKKI! DO YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO THINK ABOUT SEX?
TUL, YOU AND FROD TAKE THE BRUNETTE.
WE'VE GOT THE BLONDE!
AND REMEMBER, I WANT THEM ALIVE!
C'MON, UGLY, JUST A BIT CLOSER.
WOW. NICE LEGS...FOR A HUMAN.
WHIZZ!
FLIT!
WHAT?

A LITTLE CLOSER, GAR, AND WE'VE GOT HER!
BLOCK 5
ULM'S BANK
2001
DAMN!
I'VE GOT TO PRACTICE WITH THOSE STARS SOME MORE!
STUMP
OH, NO!
WE'VE LOST HER, GAR. LET'S SEE IF WE CAN HELP THE OTHERS!
WHOA! THAT WAS CLOSE. I DON'T KNOW WHO THESE CHEESEHEADS ARE..
ZZZAAAC
BUT THEY'RE STARTING TO PISS ME OFF!
SLICE

NOT BAD I'M REALLY STARTING TO GET A HANDLE ON MY NEW BLADE
NOW TO CHECK ON VIKKI.
I HOPE BELUSHI NEVER HEARS ABOUT THIS
OOOF!
SZZZ
IF HE DOES...
...I'M...
...DEAD

OOOH, THAT STARTS
I THINK I BROKE AT LEAST TWO NAILS ON THAT FALL
THE WALLS ARE TOO SLICK TO CLIMB OUT
I GUESS: I'D BETTER FIND ANOTHER
NOT AGAIN!
ZZZZZZ
PERHAPS I CAN SUGGEST AN ALTERNATIVE
AND WHO ARE YOU
MY NAME IS LEONARD AND WE NEED YOUR HELP
ONE WAY OR ANOTHER

I'M NOT DEAD
BUT WHY DOES MY HEAD HURT?
FUN!
KILL YOU
BUT I THOUGHT I TOO BAD
YOU'RE THE MOST SPIRITED CREATURE WE'VE ENCOUNTERED IN THREE SYSTEMS.
WE'VE DECIDED TO HAVE A BIT OF SPORT WITH YOU.

I SUPPOSE I SHOULD THANK YOU FOR THIS CHANCE TO DIE LIKE A WARRIOR.
DON'T THANK ME. I'M ONLY DOING THIS OUT OF BOREDOM.
WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS STEADILY FOR THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS.
AND IT'S BEGINNING TO WEAR THIN.
WHAT'S THE SENSE OF MINDLESS KILLING, IF YOU CAN'T HAVE A BIT OF FUN WITH IT?
SO IT'S PLAY ME OR TRADE ME, EH, GENTLEMEN?
FIVE MINUTES
NOW
HOW ABOUT MY SWORD?

MEANWHILE
WILL YOU RELAX, BELUSHI?
THEY'RE OVERDUE BY HALF A DAY, DAMMIT!
MAYBE THEY'VE HAD TO WORK LATE AT THE OFFICE
OR THEY'RE STUCK IN TRAFFIC SOMEWHERE.
KNOCK IT OFF, OKAY?
I'M GOING OUT TO LOOK FOR THEM
BELUSHI, WAIT!
WE DON'T WANT ALL OF US LOST. I'M WORRIED, TOO
IF I MAY INTERJECT. YOU'RE ALL ADULTS--WELL TRAINED AND PROFESSIONAL.
AND YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH A LOT TOGETHER
AS COLD AS IT SOUNDS, SOONER OR LATER YOU'VE GOT TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES.
"IF YOU CAN'T, THEN YOU DON'T DESERVE TO BE HERE ANYWAY."

SO THEY'VE BEEN HERE ABOUT A WEEK?
THAT'S WHEN MY PEOPLE STARTED DISAPPEARING. SEVENTY SO FAR. WITH TWO MORE LONG OVERDUE I CAN ONLY ASSUME THE WORST.
ANY IDEA WHAT THEY WANT?
A SNACK, OR SOME FUN. I DON'T THINK THEY'RE PART OF ANY LARGER INVASION FORCE
WE'VE GOT TO STOP THEM SOMEHOW-- THEY'VE GOT MY FRIEND.
THE PRETTY PINK ONE?
LEONARD!
THE GREAT WAR ONLY AFFECTED MY APPEARANCE, NOT MY EYESIGHT.
THE END OF THIS TUNNEL TAKES US ABOUT 500 METERS FROM THEIR SHIP
BUT THEIR WEAPONS ARE FAR SUPERIOR TO ANYTHING WE HAVE
IF WE RUSH THEM, THEY'LL CUT US TO PIECES
LEAVE THAT TO ME

SHORT-

THE CAMP SEEMS DESERTED
THEY MUST BE ON ANOTHER HUNT
HOPE I CAN FIND ERWIN ON BOARD BEFORE THEY COME BACK
NOW IF I WERE AN ALIEN, WHERE WOULD I HIDE?

HEY, YOU DUMB ALIEN
I HATE YOUR TAN FACES

HEY! COME BACK HERE!

WAIT 'TIL THE OTHERS SEE THIS!

SAY GOODNIGHT...
SMACK

I MAY HAVE TO START WEARING GLOVES OR CARRYING MORE THROWING STARS.

NOW, LET'S SEE WHAT KIND OF TROUBLE I CAN GET INTO.

GREETINGS, MAGNIFICENT EARTH BEING TO WHAT DO I OWE THE HONOR OF YOUR COMPANY?
I HOPE YOU'RE SITTING DOWN, SIR THIS MAY TAKE A WHILE.

SO FAR, I'M MAKING GOOD TIME I'VE GOT ABOUT ANOTHER MINUTE BEFORE..
BASTARDS! THEY'RE CHEATING!
TODAY'S LESSON: NEVER TRUST AN ALIEN
GOOD THING I DISABLED ONE OF THEIR CARS.
OR I'D BE IN... BIGGER TROUBLE.
SAY HELLO TO YOUR DEATH, PINK LADY!

AND SAY IT QUICKLY!
TALK, TALK, TALK DON'T THEY EVER LEARN?
STAMP
LESSON ONE FIGHT FIRST, TALK LATER.
YOW
IT'S A LESSON I ONLY TEACH ONCE
THUD
ACK!
SWISH
ONE DOWN. THREE TO GO.
CLASS DISMISSED.

THIS'D BE A LOT EASIER IF SHE HADN'T DAMAGED OUR CAR
I KNOW ONE THING: WHEN I CATCH HER, I'M NOT WAITING AROUND FOR SKAK.
OH, SHUT UP, TUL

THIS GIRL IS MINE. ALL MINE
YOU WANT ME THAT BADLY.

COME AND GET ME
CLANG!
OOOFF!
GOLP
THUD
I'VE HAD JUST ABOUT ENOUGH OUT OF ALL OF YOU.

WHERE ARE YOU FROM, ANYWAY? THE PLANET OF REALLY BAD FIGHTERS?
SMAK!
HEY, WATCH IT!
SLICE!
IT'S TOUGH FINDING ONE OF THESE IN MY SIZE!
OOOK!
COME ON, GIVE IT UP! I NEED IT BACK!
WHOA!
PLOOT
KRAK!
ACK!
AND DON'T EVER TIE ME UP AGAIN!
THREE DOWN

AND ONE TO GO.
OH NO! MY BLADE!
KA-LAANG!
I THINK THE TIME FOR FUN IS OVER.
I'LL HAVE A HARD TIME EXPLAINING THE DEATH OF MY CREW TO MY SUPERIORS BUT I CAN WORK AROUND IT
PREPARE TO DIE, PINK LADY
ZZZZZZZZZI'ING!

HELLO, ERIN. I THOUGHT YOU COULD USE A LITTLE HELP.
THANKS
BUT CAN SOMEONE TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON?
I BELIEVE I CAN
I AM KOLAN.
OF ALL THE PLANETS THAT WE HAVE STUDIED, THE EARTH HAS LONG BEEN ONE OF OUR FAVORITES
WE ARE THE MITAK. WE HAVE BEEN EXPLORING THIS GALAXY FOR THE PAST 500 OF YOUR YEARS
AND EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT WHAT IT ONCE WAS, IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT IT IS OPEN SEASON --A PLAYGROUND FOR ANY RACE WITH WARP DRIVE.
AND THAT INCLUDES OURSELVES.
SO WHAT HAPPENS NOW?
WORD WILL BE PUT OUT THAT EARTH IS NOW UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE MITAK, AND THAT SHOULD PUT AN END TO EPISODES LIKE THIS
MY
DELI

OVER THE YEARS, WE'VE TAKEN TISSUE SAMPLES FROM HUNDREDS OF YOUR INHABITANTS. ALL ARE ON FILE BACK ON HOMEWORLD.
BANK
IT WOULD BE A SIMPLE MATTER FOR US TO HELP YOU RE-POPULATE...
SHACK
THANK YOU, KOLAN. BUT THAT'S OUR JOB.
WE MAY NOT SUCCEED, BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO TRY IT ON OUR OWN, FIRST.
I THOUGHT THAT MIGHT BE YOUR ANSWER.
BUT IF YOU EVER NEED US...
"YOU HAVE OUR NUMBER."

# In the year 2025, Australia is no longer "the wonder down under."

**DESERT FOX**
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**Coming for Christmas**
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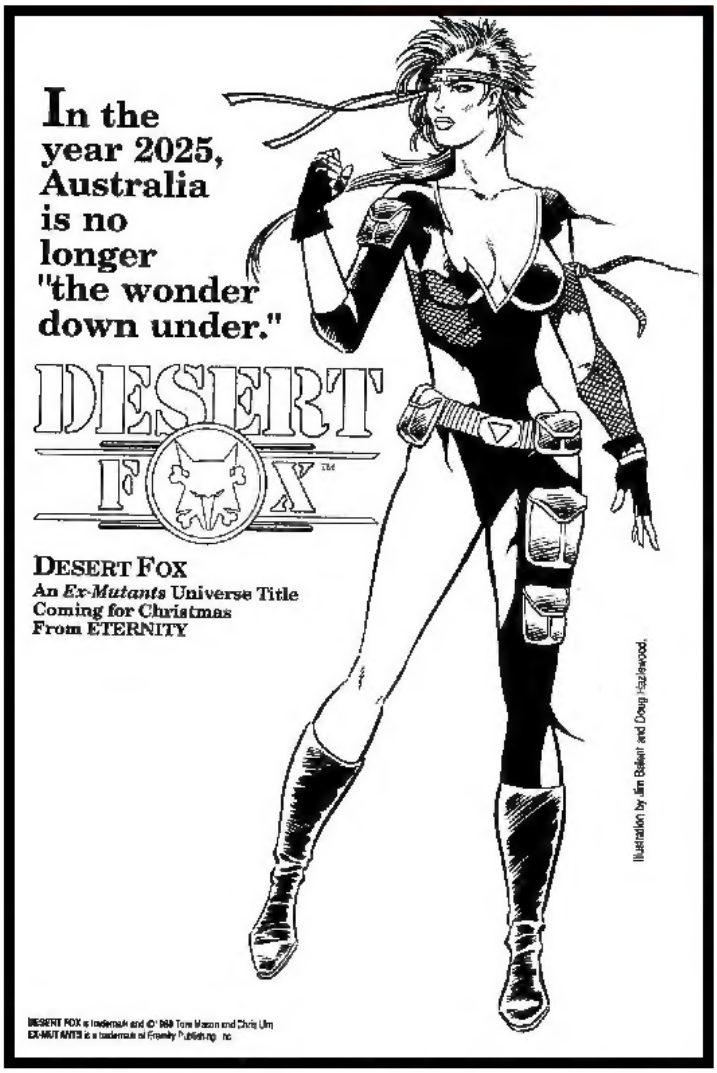
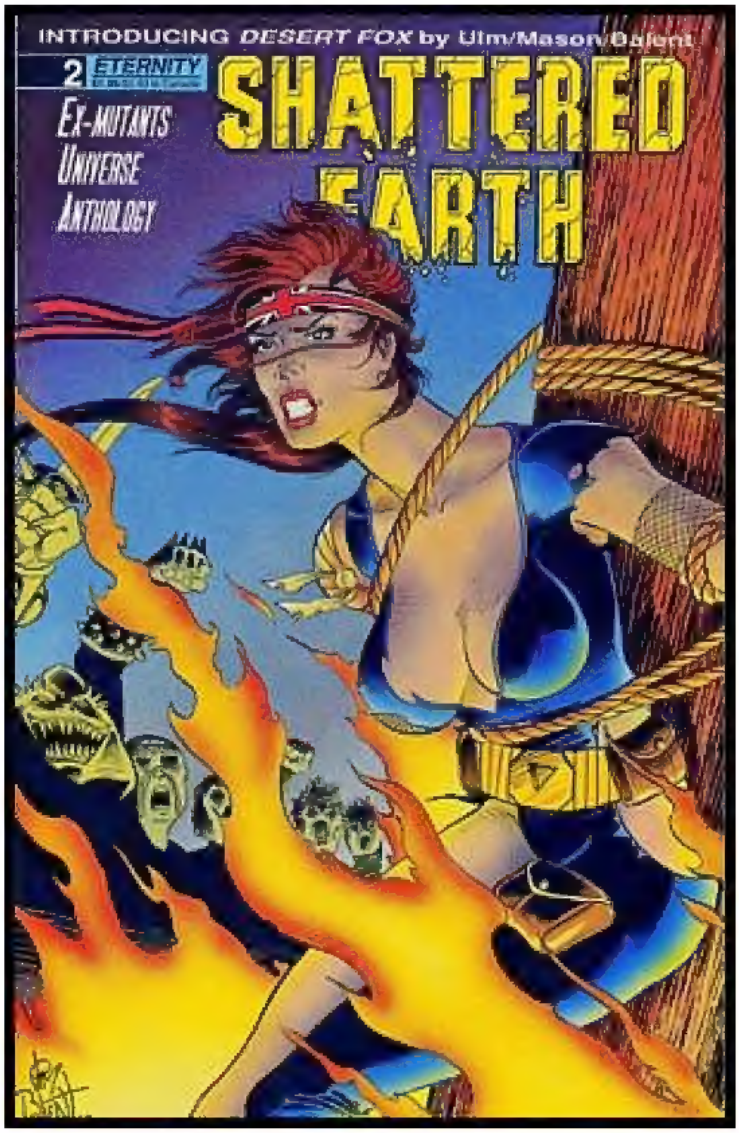



This issue contains and interesting advetisement for a series called "Desert Fox". It states that it would be coming "for Christmas" though, I have yet to find any evidence of it ever being published.




The only other reference I've found for "Desert Fox" is in a short story contained in the pages of "Shattered Earth" #2.

There is no evidence that suggests any other story was ever published.

The investigation continues...

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